

REMARKS

Claims 4, 7, and 42 are amended; and claims 9-30 and 38-40 are canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1-8, 31-37, and 41-42 are pending.

The amendments to the specification and claims are based on the application as originally filed. In particular, the specification is amended to update the status of the parent application, and the claims are amended to correct grammatical errors, so it is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

In the office action, it is stated that claims 1-8, 31-37, and 41-42 are allowed.

In the office action, claims 9-30 and 38-40 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in view of U.S. Patent Number 5,224,843 to Van Lintel.

Claims 9-30 and 38-40 are canceled, so reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of canceled claims 9-30 and 38-40 are respectfully requested.

Entry and approval of the present amendment and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested.

In case of any deficiencies in fees by the filing of the present amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such deficiencies in fees to Deposit Account Number 01-0035.

Respectfully submitted,

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